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CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: JANUARY 17, 2007

DEPARTMENT: OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS
DIRECTOR: DAVID RIGGLEMAN

SUBJECT:

RECOGNITION OF LE CORDON BLEU COLLEGE OF CULINARY ARTS FOR
COMMUNITY SERVICE

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Submitted after meeting – copy of Proclamation declaring Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts Day

Minutes:

No motion required. A presentation was made.

Pictures of the event were shown but not submitted.

COUNCILMAN WOLFSON recognized Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts for its efforts in serving Thanksgiving lunch on November 21, 2006, to underprivileged students from Martinez Elementary School. The students from the culinary school prepared a wonderful lunch and served it at the Cafe Bleu, which is open to the public.

KENNETH SHORE, Administrator of the Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts, came forward and thanked the Council for the recognition. He said he is proud to be a partner in the community. The college was also able to bake and send 4,000 cookies to the troops in Iraq. He accepted the Proclamation declaring January 17, 2007, as Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts Day.

MAYOR GOODMAN recognized CITY CLERK BARBARA JO RONEMUS, who will be retiring on February 2, 2007, after 27 years with the City of Las Vegas. This will be MS. RONEMUS' final City Council meeting. MS. RONEMUS started her career with the State of Nevada; thereafter, she started with the City of Las Vegas as a secretary for the Deputy City Manager. She was appointed as City Clerk in 1997. MS. RONEMUS has revolutionized the way the City does business by making it easy with automation. She has been the force behind the Records Center. MAYOR GOODMAN wished MS. RONEMUS well, thanked her for making his life at City Hall easier and that she will be greatly missed.

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY presented roses to MS. RONEMUS from the City Council. COUNCILMAN REESE indicated he has worked with MS. RONEMUS for 16 years. LORETTA ARRINGTON and MS. RONEMUS ran the City Council Office by themselves for many years. COUNCILMAN REESE'S emotions demonstrated how he feels about MS. RONEMUS.

COUNCILMAN BROWN indicated he met MS. RONEMUS in 1985 while he was employed by the City of Las Vegas. She gives her heart and soul, not only to the City as a professional, but to

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people as colleagues, co-workers, Councilmembers, community and most importantly, her family. She will be greatly missed.

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY congratulated MS. RONEMUS for her public service to the City and to the State of Nevada. He thanked her for being a warm friend and helpful to him. He admires her for putting her family as her number one priority.

COUNCILMAN WOLFSON congratulated MS. RONEMUS and echoed his colleagues' sentiments. He was reminded on election night when MS. RONEMUS telephoned him after the polls closed to appraise him of the election returns. She was the first person to address him as Councilman.

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN indicated that MS. RONEMUS was a calming influence for her when she was elected as Councilwoman. She wished her the very best.

COUNCILMAN ROSS also remembered that MS. RONEMUS was the first person who called him Councilman. She has been a guiding light for him, especially when he was concerned about joining such a successful Mayor and Council. The City Council takes their positions very seriously, but it is people like MS. RONEMUS that make Las Vegas a great City to live in. A great asset is being lost, but he is certain that another will follow.

MS. RONEMUS was touched by the recognition. She has worked with a great City Council, great staff and employees of the City of Las Vegas. During the 27 years she has met many great people and will miss everyone. She could not have asked for a better City Council to finish her career with and appreciates them very much for the recognition.